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Letter dated 12 February 2002 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council

In my letter to the President of the Security Council dated 16 November 2001 (S/2001/1097), I informed the members of the Council that, given the important and essential role of the United Nations Political Office for Somalia, it was my intention to continue its activities for the biennium 2002-2003 at the current resource level, pending an improvement in the security situation that would allow me to submit a proposal for the establishment of a peace-building office in Somalia.

I have the honour to inform the members of the Security Council of my intention to appoint Winston A. Tubman as my Representative in Somalia and Head of the Office. He will succeed David Stephen, who did excellent work in Somalia before taking up his new assignment in Guinea-Bissau recently.

I should be grateful if you could bring the present letter to the attention of the members of the Security Council.

(Signed) Kofi A. Annan

